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SUBJ: EMBARGO STATUS OF FERRO-ALLOYS--IL 1649,
1670, AND 1671

REF: (A) COCOM DOCS DEF (76) 1649/1, 1670/1, AND
1671/1, (B) STATE 101511

1. REF B WAS RECEIVED ONLY EVENING OF APRIL 27, TOO
LATE FOR DISCUSSION THAT TOOK PLACE THAT MORNING.

2. FRENCH DEL SUBMITTED APRIL 26 ITS DOCUMENT /2, EX-
PRESSING THE VIEW THAT THE THREE ALLOYS MENTIONED IN
THE GERMAN DOCUMENT ARE NOT COVERED. BELGIAN AND NETH-
ERLANDS DELS AGREED IN ESSENCE WITH THE FRENCH.

3. UK DEL, WHILE AGREEING THAT FERRO-ALLOYS ARE NOT
IN THE SAME CATEGORY AS OTHER ALLOYS, FELT
THAT THE LANGUAGE OF THE LISTS WAS CONTROLLING AND THAT, THERE-
FORE THE THREE ALLOYS MENTIONED BY THE GERMANS ARE
COVERED BY IL 1649 AND IL 1670(B). THE JAPANESE AGREED.
WHIL AGREEING THAT BY A STRICT INTERPRETATION 1649 AND
1670 WOULD COVER THESE ALLOYS, CANADA DID NOT BELIEVE
THAT THE INTENT BEHIND THEM WAS TO EMBARGO FERRO-ALLOYS,
WHICH ARE USED IN MAKING STEEL. ITALIAN DEL, LIKE US
DEL, WAS WITHOUT INSTRUCTIONS. THUS FOUR MEMBERS--
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FRANCE, BELGIUM, NETHERLANDS, AND CANADA--BELIEVED THAT

THESE ALLOYS ARE NOT COVERED, WHEREAS TWO--UK AND JAPAN
--BELIEVED THAT THEY ARE.

4. MATTER IS RESCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION ON MAY 11.
HOWEVER, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF DEL COULD BE INSTRUCTED
BEFORE THAT TIME, SO THAT HE COULD PUBLISH A STATEMENT
IN DOCUMENTARY FORM. PLEASE INSTRUCT.
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